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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 22, 2002, in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE TITLE:

Please amend the title to read as follows:

A COMPRESSOR INCLUDING TAPERED DISCHARGE VALVE AND VALVE SEAT

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 12 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter therein.

Please amend the claims to read as follows.

1. (Amended) A compressor, comprising: